

### IFF ExCo Meeting, Bern, January 22<sup>th</sup>, 2006

<b>Participants:</b>	Tomas Eriksson,	IFF President
	Renato Orlando,	IFF vice-president
	John Liljelund,	IFF general secretary

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#### Report on present issues

##### 1. *Opening*

Mr. Eriksson opened the meeting at 14.30 in the SUHV Office, Bern, Switzerland.

##### 2. *IOC Recognition:*

##### • **Meeting with Mr. Kelly Fairweather (IOC Sports Director) and Mr. Jean-Laurent Bourquin (Senior Manager):**

Mr. Fairweather informed about the big pictures for the Olympic Movement at the moment and stated that a number of IF's are organised more professional, which allows IOC to put into place to review the IOC recognition process. There are a lot of IF's pushing to get into the Olympic Programme; where no sports have been removed from the programme since 1932.

The new recognition process, still not finally approved by the IOC EB, has been streamlined in co-operation with GAISF .

IOC is trying to focus more onto a qualitative than purely quantitative approach when dealing with the recognition of sports. The 50 members is not the definitive criteria, but still important.

The new criteria's required for recognition are looking upon, among other things, youth programmes, active nations with own championships, anti-doping work, gender issues, CAS, continental federations and competitions, entering multi-sport events and also the development work.

The new process is built on the questionnaire which will be sent out by IOC in the first quarter of 2007. Based on them a recommendation is made by the Sports Department, after which the IOC EB can grant provisional recognition, for at least two years. The process is ongoing, but it was mentioned, that the first lot of applications will be analysed during the beginning of 2008, with the last date to return them by December 15<sup>th</sup> 2007. After that there is a possibility to apply every year.

The ExCo conclusions of the meeting.

- The aim of the 50 member federations is still the target, despite that the IOC is concentrating the evaluation more towards quality than quantity.
- The Office will start filling the IOC Questionnaire still during the spring
- The IFF Office will start gathering relevant information from the member federations and this issue will be thoroughly discussed at the Presidential and Secretary Generals meeting.
- Timetable for the filling in of the questionnaire for the first version has to be ready by 15<sup>th</sup> of October 2007. We will be in contact with the IOC Sports Department.
- The questionnaire will be handed into IOC by the end of November 2007.
- To be in contact with Mr. Rene Fasel and Mr. Dennis Oswald.

##### 3. **Road Map:**

Mr. Liljelund reported on the actions taken concerning the countries on the list.

The development situation is a little stagnated and we are faced with a slow progress.

The general secretary is responsible to work hand on with Lithuania, Moldova and Ireland, the target is to have these member applications approved before the end of April.

The Chinese situation is handled in a different way by the ExCo.

There is a need to look upon the situation and re-think if we need a new approach to look upon the issue on the level of Europe, South America, Asia and also Africa and to look for new sources in order to promote Floorball.

It was decided to continue the work with the Road Map and re-evaluate the activities.

## Report on present issues (Cont.)

4. **Sport Accord:**  
We will invite Mr. Kelly Fairweather (IOC Sports Director) for a business breakfast in order to further evaluate our bid. We also organise a meeting with Jan Fransoo (ARISF) and a meeting with Ms. Christine Dominguez (GAISF) as well as the meeting with the China Representative Office of IFF Mr. Sam Xiao, who is to organise the meetings with the Sports Administration and the Ministry of Education.  
Mr. Liljelund to send the invitations to these parties no later than week 11.
5. **China:**  
Meetings are scheduled with and through Mr. Sam Xiao during Sport Accord.  
The ExCo will discuss the possible help to the Chinese Coach seminar after an application from the China Representative Office of IFF.
6. **Development Program:**  
The planning of the Development seminar in Canada is continuing and the invitation will be sent out next week. The IFF crew will be Mr. Orlando, Mr. Liljelund , 1 Coach (Kettunen ), 1 referee (Thim) with Muukkonen and Gyger in reserve.  
The Office will contact the lecturers in the beginning of February.  
The Development function will discuss whereelse to organise the seminars during 2007.  
We will ask the Korean federation, if they could organise a seminar in South Korea towards the end of the year. The other seminars will be held in Spain.
7. **Protest Slovakia U19:**  
The Slovak Floorball Federation has written to the IFF and claimed that they are not pleased at all with the CB decisions. The ExCo felt that there needs to be a reaction from the IFF to the Slovak Federation.  
ExCo will answer the Slovak, that it has clearly been stated for quite a while, that Entering an IFF-event means that all federations must fulfil the requirements according to the regulations. Although we appreciate the good work done so far by Slovakia, it has to be understood, that IFF now has to apply its regulations.
8. **Any other business:**  
It was decided that IFF will write to Latvia and ask them to organise the EuroFloorball Cup Final Round in 2011.

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## Upcoming meetings and issues

The ExCo will have its next meeting during the Sport Accord in Beijing, China in April.

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**Issues that need to be discussed or decided upon or taken action upon**

- The IFF Office will start gathering information from the member federations and this issue will be thoroughly discussed at Presidential and Secretary Generals meeting (JL).
- Timetable for the filling in of the questionnaire. We must have the first version ready by 15<sup>th</sup> of October 2007. After this date we are in contact with the IOC Sports Department. (JL)
- The questionnaire will be handed into IOC by the end of November. (ExCo)
- To be in contact with Mr. Rene Fasel and Mr. Dennis Oswald. (RO)
- To keep contact with Lithuania, Moldova and Ireland and help them with their member applications. (JL)
- To invite Mr. Fairweather (IOC) for a business breakfast during the Sport Accord (week 11) (JL)
- To ask for a meeting with Jan Fransoo (ARIFS) and Ms. Christine Dominguez (GAISF) during Sport Accord (week 11) (JL)
- To arrange the meetings with the Chinese Sport Administration and the Ministry of Education through Mr. Sam Xiao. (JL)
- Invite the lecturers for the seminar in Canada (JL)
- Write a letter to the Slovak Federation responding to their letter concerning the U19 WFC 2007. (JL)
- Write a letter to the Latvian federation asking them the organisation of the EuroFloorball Cup in 2011. (JL)

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**New ideas, etc...**

Nothing to report